MAYOR AND COUNCIL AGENDA



NO 9DEPT.: Recreation and Parks / DATE: October 13, 2004 **ACTION STATUS: ACTION:** Briefing on the Activities of the Rockville Sister City Corporation FOR THE MEETING OF: 11/1/04 INTRODUCED PUB. HEARING INSTRUCTIONS APPROVED **EFFECTIVE** ROCKVILLE CITY CODE. CHAPTER SECTION CONSENT AGENDA **RECOMMENDATION:** Rockville Sister City Corporation President David L'Heureux will provide a briefing during the meeting and answer any questions the Mayor and Council may have. Fiscal Neighborhood Other:

BACKGROUND:

A Look Back at 2004

Visits/Exchanges

- Councilmembers John Hall and Susan Hoffmann officially visited Pinneberg for the first time in June.
- Firefighters 25 members and their families from Pinneberg's Fire Department came this summer to visit with members of the Rockville Volunteer Fire Department for two weeks.
- A Fine Mess A rock band made up of students from Wootton High School performed at Pinneberg's Summer Festival.

Community Involvement

- Wine Tasting Social fundraising and networking social
- Rockville Memorial Day Parade award winning float for the past 15 years
- Peerless Rockville's Progressive Dinner volunteer staffing of the main course house
- Rockville Arts & Music Festival provide volunteers for the concession booths an opportunity

for fundraising and membership

• Establishing the Chana Partrician Award – To honor a longtime board member who passed away this past year, a scholarship is being established for high school students to study in Pinneberg.

A Look at 2005 and Beyond

The future relationship between Rockville and Pinneberg looks bright for 2005 and beyond with many activities planned.

- For the 2004-2005 school year, two high school students from Pinneberg have requested to be exchange students in Rockville for one semester or one-year. Request for Rockville families with high school students interested in hosting a student, please contact the Rockville Sister City Corporation.
- Bicycle Tour of Pinneberg and Northern Germany Summer 2005 10 to 20 visitors from Rockville will tour Pinneberg and surrounding areas on bikes.
- Students from Wootton High School will visit Pinneberg for a week in June 2005. Pinneberg students visited Rockville and stayed with their Wootton counterparts in 2003.

The year 2007 will mark the 50th Anniversary of the Sister City relationship between Rockville and Pinneberg. Many ceremonies and activities will be planned to celebrate the occasion. Sister City will keep the Mayor and Council updated as the date moves closer.

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS:	